

Sewage overflow caught

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SPILL A jammed regulator gate caused another sewage overflow into the Ottawa River on the weekend, but new procedures helped fix and report the problem much quicker than the massive spill of 2006.

David McCartney, manager of wastewater and drainage, said yes-terday that models are being prepared to determine how much sewage reached the river, but he noted that the gate was closed within two-and-a-half hours of it being discovered open, and the environment ministry was notified immediately.

The jammed gate was discovered in a standard inspection of all five regulator gates that follows each heavy rainfall. After the controversy surrounding the recent discovery of an unreported spill in August 2006 that dumped a million cubic metres of sewage into the river, McCartney said the city has committed more resources to monitoring the regulators.

These regulators are in vaults about 30 to 40 feet deep ... It takes four people to make a safe entry and the guys have to be highly trained and skilled," he said.

The Booth Street regulator gate was discovered jammed shut with debris around 9 a.m. on Saturday, causing sewage and storm water to flow into the river instead of flowing to the treatment plant.

Special equipment was needed to clean and reopen the gate. It was back to normal by 11:30 a.m.

As soon as the overflow was discovered, McCartney said the Ministry of the Environment and Public Health were notified, as well as water-taking communities down-

E. coli closes beach

• While several city beaches were closed at some point last weekend, only Petrie Island remained closed yesterday due to unsafe levels of E. coli bacteria in the water.

Heavy rain and the overflow at a downtown sewer gate had tests showing 168 E. coli per 100 millilitres of water at Petrie Island, leaving it unsafe for swimming.



Fernando Gonzalez of Chile follows through on a forehand to Julien Benneteau of France at the Toronto Masters Rogers Cup tennis tournament in Toronto. Gonzalez beat Benneteau 6-2, 6-1. More tennis coverage, page 8.

Cops zeroing in on hit-and-run driver

Police combing through list of Mazda RX-8 owners to find suspect

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They're going to catch him the male driver of the sports car that killed Mitchell Anderson.

"It's just a matter of time before we knock on the gentleman's door," Ottawa Police Const. Al Boucher said yesterday.

"We know it's an Ontario licence plate and we have the video footage. Now it's just the tedious work of calling each owner and figuring out where the cars have

Police are narrowing down sus-

pects in last week's hit-and-run collision that killed 38-year-old Anderson on Colonel By Drive.

'We have confirmed that we "We have confirmed that we are looking at 49 different Mazda RX-8s in Ottawa and 19 in Gatineau," said Ottawa Police Const. J.P. Vincelette.

Police can see from video surveillance footage that the plates on the suspect car are Ontario issue, but Vincelette said vehicles registered in Gatineau are also being inspected to be thorough.

It wouldn't complicate things if the car somehow turned out to be from Quebec, Vincelette said, adding, "there's co-operation be-

Matter of conscience?

 Ottawa police Const. Al Boucher said only the driver can say why he has yet to turn himself in.

"It's probably because he's really scared, but the best thing to do right now is to clear his conscience and talk to us."

tween the two areas."

The plate image was enhanced and analyzed by the Forensic Imaging Section yesterday.

At around 11:16 p.m. on July 13, a northbound car struck Anderson. He died in hospital later in the week. The red Mazda has a sunroof and it was open at the time the footage was taken. The vehicle would have sustained front-end damage.

Even if the car has been repaired, it won't hide the fact that it was involved in a collision, said Boucher.

"We have services available to us to take a closer look," he said.

Police believe a man in his late 20s or early 30s was the driver and that a white female with shoulder-length blond hair was a passenger.

Anyone with information can call 613-236-1222, ext. 2471.

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Transit pet plan gets reaction



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Serb war crimes Olympic dreams **suspect nabbed** begin at age 25

Beijing Games page 9

Patients get back to rooms the hard way

Ottawa paramedics were doing some heavy lifting after both elevators at a west end nursing home broke down. Between 10 p.m. and 11 p.m. on Sunday, four paramedics and logistics staff carried seven patients back to their rooms on the third and fifth floor of the nursing home using special "stair chairs" used to carry patients up and down stairs. METRO OTTAWA

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Hospital shuffle

The Montfort Hospital is on the move as part of a \$300-million expansion project to double its size by 2009. It will take three weeks to move people and equipment into the hospital's two new wings at its Montreal Road campus. The empty space at Montfort will be gutted and renovated in the first phase of the project, which is expected to help reduce wait times. CTVOTTAWA.CA

Pet plan gets a reaction

TIM WIFCI AWSKI

Supporters say permitting small pets on public transit will not turn buses into mobile zoos, but allergists say it could feel that way for some people.

While a small percentage of people have animal allergies, allergist Dr. David Algom said those who do stand to be affected if OC Transpo allows pets on transit.

'The whole compartment is closed and if people are allergic to small animals they may develop anything from sneezing, running noise, itchy eyes and up to hives and even bronchial asthma," said Dr. Algom, a practicing allergist in Ottawa for 30

A committee has approved a plan for a six-month trial period to allow pet owners to bring small animals in crates onto the bus during off-peak hours. Criticism for the plan concerns people with allergic reactions to animals.

But Candice O'Connell, chair of the group Responsible Dog Owners of Canada that is proposing the idea, downplays the risk, noting guide dogs are already allowed on buses and that has not threatened safety.

"We've got probably 55 per cent of riders already that are carrying (animal) dander (on their clothes) and there is no problem, she said



Sisi, a Chinese Shih Tzu, must wait a little longer yet before being allowed to join owner Joanie Bouliane aboard an OC Transpo bus. The city is considering a six-month pilot project to allow crated, small pets on buses.

"It's not going to be an invasion of the transit system. It'll be the odd little old lady with her cat, going to the vet."

Candice O'Connell

"It's not going to be an invasion of the transit sysadded O'Connell. "It'll be the odd little old lady with her cat, going to the vet.

Another city allergist, Dr. Antony Ham Pong, said there is potential for someone to be hospitalized by a reaction, but questioned if an "average" allergic person would be exposed long enough to suffer severely.

"It's not that the cat is living on the bus and the concentration of animal dander on the bus is very high," he said.

The larger threat would be to an allergic driver, who may have to tolerate many animals daily.

Transit should consider designating 'pet seating' so people with allergies could know that animals might be present and sit far enough away, he said.

Critter cab backs proposal

Despite the potential for a drop in business, a local taxi service that caters to animal owners is backing a proposal to allow small pets on buses. Michael Sewanaku, of Pets Go Taxi, said he supports a push by the Responsible Dog Owners of Canada to open transit to people carrying small pets in crates. "OC Transpo could accept pets and we'd still be going quite well," he said. "In the summer it's pretty slow, but other times there is so much

demand, we might not even notice." Sewanaku said his service carries all kinds of nets from Chihuahuas to Great Danes to pythons. Clients are often vehicle-less people who need to get animals to veterinary appointments. Owners are allowed to accompany their pet, but Sewanaku said the service will not transport people without an animal. Discounts are offered for pets being taken to the Humane Society. TIM WIECLAWSKI/METRO OTTAWA

Traffic deaths edging down on highways

TRACEY TONG

OPP REPORT Although traffic fatalities, injuries and collisions are down across eastern Ontario. Ottawa provincial police are working to make sure it stays that way through regular traffic enforcement.

In 2008, there have been 35 fatalities in the region to date, compared to 51 for the same period last year, an OPP report stated yesterday. Those numbers are also reflected in Ottawa.

"The collision rate in Ottawa is going down," said Ottawa OPP Constable Eric

Still, "if you look at iniuries and deaths sustained by any crime, motor vehicle collisions are the number one cause of injuries and deaths," Booth said.

Ottawa OPP do regular enforcement as a part of an eastern Ontario initiative to crack down on problems like unsafe lane changes that lead to collisions, Booth said.

Woman charged in city cruiser crash

KEMPTVILLE Police have now identified a Kemptville woman accused of impaired driving after a car crossed the centre line and crashed into a police cruiser early Sunday.

Donna Charland, 41, has been charged with impaired operation of a motor vehicle and driving a motor vehicle in excess of the legal limit. She appears in Ottawa court at 8:30 a.m. on August 11.

An Oldsmobile Alero headed northbound on Prince of Wales Drive near Jockvale Road entered the southbound lane and struck a police cruiser at 2 a.m. Sunday.

TRACEY TONG/METRO OTTAWA

News in brief

MUSIC Orchestras in the Park, which closed Sunday, drew crowds of 22,500 to LeBreton Flats for free music performances over four nights. the host National Capital Commission reported yesterday a big jump over the 17,000 that took in the shows in the inaugural year. **METRO OTTAWA**

Things look up for underpass

PROJECT A busy underpass in downtown Ottawa has become the city's newest outdoor venue for art, music and dance as part of a one-year pilot project.

The project, launched by the Downtown Rideau BIA, the Ottawa Arts Court, the National Capital Commission and Ottawa City Hall, will see vendors performing and selling crafts at the underpass near Colonel By Drive and Rideau Street.

Vendors will be on site in the area every day from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. until the end of September. ctvottawa.ca

Higher fuel boost for buses

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Transit ridership is rising across Canada, a trend that's reflected in Ottawa

OC Transpo ridership has increased 4.4 per cent from January to June compared with the same time last year, OC Transpo director Alain Mercier said on a day when Statistics Canada reported transit use is jumping higher across Canada as high fuel prices take hold.

In addition to rising ridership here, the sale of transit passes has increased 4.1 per cent from June last year, said Vincent Patterson, manager of performance at OC Transpo.

"If the trend continues, we're on the mark to hit 100 million trips by the end of (2008)," Patterson

Statistics Canada reported yesterday that combined ridership on 10 large urban transit systems in Canada hit 116.8 million passenger trips in May alone, generating \$195.4 million in revenue that month, a 7.8 per cent increase.

The systems surveyed, including Ottawa, account for about 80 per cent of total urban transit in Canada.

"We're seeing more investment in annual and monthly passes as opposed to people who are trying the system," said Mercier. 'We're seeing more of a commitment year over

Passes for rural Ottawa saw the biggest users

growth, with sales rising 24 per cent from the same time period in 2007.

"It's not a large population, but the growth is big," he said.

One reason why transit is so effective here is because the buses run to a lot of commercial destinations and to all major federal employment areas.

People are trying out the system and finding out, 'it could work for me'," said Mercier. "They're finding a monthly pass is cheaper than a fill at the station.

A B.C. nightclub has spent almost \$7,000 on the Mosquito Ultrasonic Teen Repellent, which emits a high-pitched sound that usually only people under 25 can hear to chase loitering teens and unwanted clientele away from their establishment. METRO CANADA



conversations...that certainly raise questions." Donald Plouffe, a Federal Bureau Competition officer, speaking about alleged Québec gas price fixing.

"There were a series of



gas prices

charges in an alleged Québec gas cussions about prices took place in several regions beyond those targeted, a new report reveals.

Supremacists offering relocation money

A Canadian white supremacist group, apparently struggling to attract new blood, has turned to offering financial incentives to woo recruits,

a newspaper reported yesterday.

The Aryan Guard in Calgary, Alberta, who number

an estimated 25, has offered to pay the damage deposit on rental accommodations for anyone relocating to the city to join the group. "The Aryan Guard is al-

ways seeking new brothers and sisters, if you are interested in relocating to our

"If you are interested in relocating to our Calgary area, we will pay the damage deposit for your residence."

Pulled from an Aryan Guard message board

Calgary area, we will pay the damage deposit for your residence," the Internet posting said..

The posting is entitled "White Nationalist Reloca-

tion Program — Destination Calgary." The group has had trouble gaining traction in the Western Canadian city, where they have been outnumbered at their rallies by crowds of anti-racists. No one at the

Aryan Guard returned re-

quests for an interview

about the cash incentives.

"That makes me sick." the Sun quoted city councilor Ric McIver as saying.

McIver said the local government could not stop anyone from moving to town, but he stressed hate crimes will not be tolerat-

Soldier to face court martial

MILITARY A Nova Scotia soldier will be court-martialled for his role in the March 2007 death of Cpl. Ronald Kevin Megeney of Stellarton.



Kevin Megeney

the Department of National Defence announced it will prosecute Cpl. Matthew Wilcox, of Bay, Glace for

Yesterday.

manslaughter, criminal negligence causing death, and negligently performing a military duty.

Wilcox is a reservist with the 2nd Battalion Nova Scotia Highlanders.

His uncle, John Wilcox, declined comment on the family's behalf. No date has been set yet for the court martial, which will held in Sydney. Manslaughter carries a potential life term in prison.

Megeney, 25, was shot in his Kandahar Airfield tent March 7, 2007. At the time, the military called it an accidental shooting.

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Edmonton Ahead of the crowds



day Morning Magic event for sick kids at Edmonton Capital EX fair. The tradition invites handicapped and special needs children to experience the festivities a little earlier in the day, before the crowds pile through the gates.

Sonya Frenette, 8, gets up close and personal with a miniature horse named Charlie at the Mon-

U.S. lawyer warns against Great Lakes pact

HEALTH A pact designed to preserve the Great Lakes is in reality a "slippery slope" that threatens severe harm to the world's largest body of freshwater, a top U.S. environmental lawyer yesterday warned Canadians.

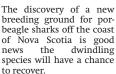
'In effect, a precedent is being set in that it allows for the commercialization of water. You are privatiz-ing it," said Michigan lawyer James Olson, of an agreement among eight 8 Great Lakes states now before the U.S. Congress and linked to Ontario and Ouebec through a side agree-

Olson also criticizes allowing water to be removed from the system by private industry as long as it's not "bulk diversion" with no limit on the number of containers an enterprise, such as water bottling, can sell.

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New breeding ground discovery offers hope

ROBYN YOUNG Metro Canada



The population has de-creased to about a tenth of its size since commercial fishing of the shark began in 1961, said Steve Campana, a marine biologist at the Bedford Institute of Oceanography.

"To find out there's a second mating ground for this population means it's got a far more reproductive potential than we had



A porbeagle shark.

thought before," Campana

The institute confirmed the breeding ground on Georges Bank earlier this month after several of the sharks had been caught by commercial draggers.

News in brief

FARMING Canada is confident that a WTO trade deal this week will spare a marketing scheme that has protected its dairy and poultry farmers from foreign competition. Trade Minister Michael Fortier said yesterday. Trade ministers are meeting in Switzerland this week for talks on a new WTO deal that will cut farm subsidies and tariffs.

TRAFFIC TICKETS Police along a northern Alberta highway known for its high number of fatal collisions handed out 363 speeding tickets during a three-day blitz over the weekend. Mounties pulled over 500 vehicles during the random check and 453 traffic violations were handed out, including the large number of speeding tickets. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Chavez wants to hug the king of Spain

Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez said on Sunday he would like to give the king of Spain a hug when he visits Europe next week, but the outspoken leader, referring to a diplomatic spat last year, said he will not shut up. REUTERS

America can never allow a second Holocaust." John McCain, right, expressed his support of Israel, which has described Iran's nuclear program as a threat to its existence.

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McCain backs Israel

U.S. Republican presidential candidate John McCain said yesterday that the United States could never allow Iran to inflict a "second Holocaust" on the Jewish people, in comments aired on Israeli TV on the eve of a visit to Israel by his Democratic rival Barack Obama.

Obama, Iraqi leaders meet

Candidate's pledge to withdraw troops not discussed, official says

U.S. Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama met Iraqi leaders and U.S. military commanders in Baghdad vesterday in a visit overshadowed by the question of when U.S. . troops should go home.

U.S. strategy in Iraq and troop levels are central issues in the November election race between the first-term senator from Illinois and Republican

candidate John McCain. Obama, who has made his opposition to the U.S.led invasion of Iraq five years ago a centrepièce of his campaign, was in Baghdad to assess security in Iraq, where violence has fallen to its lowest level since early 2004.

Iraqi government spokesman Ali al-Dabbagh said Obama did not mention his pledge to remove U.S. combat troops within

assistance limited

 The U.S. State Department said yesterday it had ordered its embassies to limit the help they give visiting presidential candidates Sens. Barack Obama and John McCain so as to avoid violating U.S. laws.

16 months if he takes office in talks with Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki. But in comments sug-

Under U.S. law, there are restrictions on the partisan political activities of federal employees to prevent government workers from exerting undue influence on elec-

gesting Iraq and Obama are not far apart on the timeframe, Dabbagh said Baghdad's goal was for foreign combat forces to leave by the end of 2010 if security conditions allowed. Dabbagh has floated a similar timeframe be-

"We cannot give any timetables or dates but the Iraqi government believes the end of 2010 is the appropriate time for the withdrawal of the forces," Dabbagh told reporters.

RELITERS

Mugabe reaches deal with rival

ZIMBABWE UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon welcomed a deal between Zimbabwe's President Robert Mugabe and opposition leader Morgan Tsvangirai yesterday that paves the way for talks on forming a governpower-sharing ment.

The preliminary agreesigned Harare's Rainbow Towers

Hotel after weeks deadlock following Mugabe's gabe's re-election on June 27 in a widely condemned poll boycotted

Morgan Tsvangirai

Tsvangiby rai because of violence against his supporters.

"The Secretary-General encourages all sides to engage, in good faith, in serious talks that would lead to a lasting solution to the political crisis and address the urgent economic and humanitarian needs of the n people," spokeswoman Zimbabwean Michele Montas said in a

economic collapse

 Zimbabwe's economic collapse under Mugabe's 28year rule has plunged the once prosperous country into a vicious cycle of inflation of at least 2 million per cent as well as crippling food and fuel shortages.

Yesterday's meeting was the first in 10 years be-tween Mugabe and Tsvangirai, who have long traded insults but shook hands at the end of the ceremony, with the opposition leader referring to Mugabe as "comrade."

"The handshake is a good sign and we hope that something will be achieved," French UN Ambassador Jean-Maurice Ripert told reporters. "We hope it's the beginning of good work together be-tween Mr. Tsvangirai and Mr. Mugabe."

Ripert said any political solution had to be built on the results of the first round of the presidential poll on March 29, which was won by Tsvangirai but fell short of giving him an absolute majority. REUTERS

Missing Madeleine McCann case dropped



Gerry and Kate McCann speak to media during a news conference in their home village of Rothley, England yesterday. Portugal's public prosecutor dropped the case on the disappearance of British girl Madeleine McCann in the absence of any evidence yesterday.

Blasts on buses kill 2 in China

SABOTAGE Explosions two Chinese buses killed at least two people and injured 14 in the southwestern city of Kunming vesterday, media said, amid a security clampdown ahead of next month's Beijing Olympics.

The official Xinhua news agency blamed the blasts on "sabotage" and said police had started roadside checks in Kunming, the capital province, to try to find the person or persons respon-

One of the injured passengers was in critical condition, Xinhua cited the provincial health department as saying.

"My wife is gone, and

I'm injured; I feel it is the end of the world," Xinhua quoted Han Guangming, husband of one of the vic-

tims, as saying.
The attack happened less than three weeks before the Beijing Games, which China has warned could be a target of terror

Comcast told to block child porn

LEGAL New York Attorney General Andrew Cuomo, who has pressured Internet service providers to block access to child pornography, yesterday said his office would pursue legal action against Comcast Cable Communications LLC if it did not quickly agree to reforms.

Last month, major ISPs such as Verizon Communications, Sprint, Time Warner Inc's AOL unit, AT&T Inc. and Time Warner Cable, agreed to block Internet bulletin boards and websites nationwide that disseminate child porn.

But the Comcast Corp unit did not sign New York's "code of conduct" that includes these and other business reforms. Cuomo wrote in a letter obtained by Reuters. REUTERS

Oil producers ready for storms

GULF OF MEXICO Offshore oil producers in the Gulf of Mexico yesterday geared up to prepare for the first big storm threat of 2008, but Tropical Storm Dolly looked unlikely to deal a crippling blow to U.S. crude oil and natural gas production. However, oil markets reacted nervously at news that Shell Oil Co. had been flying workers from platforms in the western Gulf of Mexico since Sunday.

News in brief

NUCLEAR North Korea and its five negotiating partners must agree a clear process for verifying Pyongyang's declarations on its nuclear disarmament.

VISIT Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez visits a resurgent Russia this week on an arms shopping trip that raises the anti-U.S. leader's profile and will irritate his hosts' rivals in



Laser treatment can remove wrinkles better than some newer procedures, dermatologists reported yesterday. Carbon dioxide laser resurfacing was very effective and while there were some side-effects, such as lightening or darkening of the skin, they almost always cleared up. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Serb war crimes suspect arrested

president Radovan Karadzic, one of the world's most wanted men for his part in civilian massacres, was ar-rested yesterday, Serbian President Boris Tadic's office said.

Government sources said he had been under surveillance for several weeks, after a tip-off from a foreign intelligence service. In Sarajevo, scene of a bloody 43-month siege at the hands of Karadzic's Belgradebacked forces, Croats and Bosnian Muslims streamed onto the streets to celebrate.

The arrest of Karadzic and other indicted war criminals, is one of the

Landmark admission

June 11, 2004: Finally, in an abandonment of its endless denials, and under strong international pressure, the Bosnian Serb government made a

landmark admission Serbs indeed massacred thousands of Muslims at in Srebrenica, on Radovan Karadzic's

main conditions of Serbian progress towards European Union (EU) membership.

Richard Holbrooke, former U.S. assistant secretary of state for Europe who negotiated the 1995 Dayton accords that ended the war in Bosnia, welcomed his capture, describing him as Osama bin Laden of Europe, "a real, true architect of mass murder."

The arrest came on the eve of a meeting of EU Foreign Ministers scheduled to discuss closer relations with serbia after formation of a new pro-western government led by Tadic's Democratic Party. The EU welcomed the cap-ture, apparently in Belgrade, where he had allegedly been in hiding, as a milestone in Serbian EU

aspirations.

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Verbal attacks YouTube talker



Tricia Walsh-Smith arrives at the New York State Supreme Court in New York vesterday. Walsh-Smith, a British former actress, gained notoriety by posting video monologues on the Internet site YouTube to attack her husband, Broadway producer Philip Smith.

India-Pakistan talks tense

PEACE PROCESS India's foreign secretary said yesterday the peace process with Pakistan was strained because its nuclear-armed foe was "inciting terror" inside India and trying to hit its interests abroad.

Pakistan quickly rejected the charge and said peace talks were "on track" but India was pointing an ac-cusing finger at Islamabad without any evidence.

India's comments, one of the sharpest exchanges between the two sides since they launched peace talks in 2004, came after a

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"This would be a way to

treat cancer without side ef-

fects," said Dr. Ron Levy of

Stanford University School

of Medicine. "The idea is to

marshal the body's own im-

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researchers said yesterday.

The treatment, which would vaccinate cancer pa-

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"There have been statements by leaders of Pakistan, inciting terror."

this month that killed 58 people, including two Indi-

"Unfortunately certain incidents in (the) recent past have vitiated the atmosphere between India Foreign Secretary Shiv-shankar Menon told reporters after an intense meeting between top foreign officials in New Delhi.

"There have been state-ments by leaders of Pak-istan, inciting terror," he said. "There are such statements from some government officials and this incitement of violence has culminated in suicide blasts in our embassy in Kabul," he said. "All investigations point to Pakistan being behind the blast."

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India's foreign secretary Shivshankar Menon

bombing in Kabul earlier an diplomats.

and Pakistan. The dialogue

U.S. surgeon in court for fraud, manslaughter case

AUSTRALIA A U.S. surgeon faced an Australian court yesterday on 14 charges of manslaughter, negligence and fraud after arriving back in Australia from the United States.

The doctor, Jayant Patel, 58, a U.S. citizen born in India, could face life in prison if convicted of the charges which relate to his time at the Bundaberg Base Hospital, in northern Oueensland state, between 2003 and 2005.

His return to Australia in the custody of Australian police marked the end of a three-vear campaign by

"There is such a sense of relief."

Beryl Crosby, victim support group

victim support groups to ensure Patel faces trial.

"There is such a sense of relief," Beryl Crosby, from the Bundaberg hospital patient support group, told Australian television.

A judicial inquiry in 2005 linked Patel to the the deaths of at least 13 patients and the harm of at least 31 others.

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Jalapeno latest salmonella carrier

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has found a jalapeno pepper contaminated with a strain of salmonella that has sickened more than 1,200 people, officials said yesterday.

which The pepper,

showed up at a south Texas distribution facility, originated in Mexico but could have been contaminated in a variety of places, the FDA said.

"FDA has found a geneti-cally matched Salmonella

distribution center called Agricola Zaragosa in Agricola Zaragosa in McAllen, Texas," Dr. David Acheson, associate commissioner for foods at the FDA, told reporters.

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News in brief

mune system."

JAPAN QUAKE An earthquake with a preliminary magnitude of 6.1 jolted northern Japan yesterday. There were no immediate reports of injuries or dam-THE ASSOCIATED PRESS **HEADING TO GUAM TWO U.S.** airmen were killed and four missing after their B-52 bomber crashed into the Pacific Ocean shortly after take-off yesterday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IRAQ Republican presidential candidate John McCain indicated yesterday he supported a large-scale drawdown of U.S. troops from Iraq in the next two years. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Hasbro profits up but shares fall

Hasbro Inc. posted a higher-than-expected quarterly profit yesterday, helped by sales of toys tied to movies like the latest Indiana Jones, but its shares fell as much as 5.6 per cent as the toymaker unveiled plans to hike prices due to higher costs. REUTERS

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Icahn settle

DEFUSED Yahoo Inc. will appoint activist investor Carl Icahn and two of his nominees to its board, defusing a proxy battle showdown and making an immediate deal with Microsoft Corp less likely

The settlement came just 11 days before Yahoo's Aug. 1 annual shareholders meeting. Icahn had originally sought to replace the entire board with his own nominees and oust Yahoo Chief Executive Jerry Yang.

But Icahn's campaign appeared to have failed to win backing from key shareholders. REUTERS

TransAlta offered \$7.8B equity deal

BUY LS Power Equity Partners and Global Infrastructure Partners said yesterday they aim to buy Trans-Alta Corp for \$7.8 billion. The U.S.-based firms said they approached TransAlta with a nonbinding proposal to acquire the shares for \$39 each, a 21 per cent premium over its closing price Friday.

Yahoo and Cellphones shakeup?

Wireless spectrum auction ends

Canada's auction of wireless spectrum ended yesterday and new players appear poised to enter the market and challenge the country's Big Three carriers in a fight for mobile phone subscribers.

The auction of airwaves over which wireless services are delivered raised \$4.25 billion in 331 rounds and almost two months of bidding — more than twice the amount analysts had expected.

"Over the next few months, I expect every player — large and small — to be speaking with each other to find both strategic as well as tactical opportunities to consolidate market share," said Carmi Levy, an analyst at AR Communications.

Communica-Rogers tions, which owns Canada's largest wireless firm, was the top bidder with offers totaling \$999.4 million - letting the company se-

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Key facts

- Rogers, Telus and BCE now control about 95 per cent of the wireless market in terms of revenues.
- Notable newcomers include Quebecor Inc., Glob-Communications, Shaw Communications and Data & Audio-Visual Enterprises Wireless.
- No U.S. carriers participated in the auction.

cure spectrum in every area of the country.

Telus Corp. had \$879.9 million in standing high bids. BCE Inc., the biggest telecoms company in the country, had bids totaling \$740.9 million.

Quebecor Inc., which bid a total of \$554.5 million, and Globalive Communications, with bids totaling \$442.1 million, appeared to pose the most serious threat to the existing carri-

Peking Duck Ovens face EU ban



Cooked ducks hang in the window of a Chinese restaurant in China Town yesterday in London, England. Chinese imported gas ovens used to cook the popular Crispy Peking Duck have been banned in the United Kingdom for failing European Union regulations on carbon monoxide emissions.

Bombardier urged to revise jet handbook

TAKEOFF The U.S. National Transportation Safety Board recommended yesterday that Bombardier revise the reference book for its Challenger 600 airplanes to include more detailed instructions for takeoff.

The recommendation to regulator Transport Canada follows an investigation into a February 2005 incident, in which a Challenger jet ran off a runway in New Jersey, while attempting to take off. The plane crashed through an airport fence and crossed a six-lane highway before hitting a building.

The safety board found that the accident was probably caused by an attempt to take off with the centre of gravity beyond the forward limit, which prevented the plane's nose from lifting off the runway at the expected speed.

Trial to begin in licensing fight

WIRELESS Cellphone maker Nokia and wireless chip supplier Qualcomm go to court tomorrow in hopes of resolving a licensing fight that involves hundreds of millions of dollars and has spawned lawsuits on three continents. The case is based on a 1992 licensing agreement that allowed

Nokia to use Qualcomm's patents in its phones. That license expired on April 9, REUTERS

Cadence accepts takeover bid

DEAL Cadence Energy yesterday said it scuttled an agreement to be acquired by Daylight Resources Trust and accepted a \$410 million cash offer from Barrick Gold Corp., a deal that the gold miner hopes will cut its energy costs. Barrick, the world's biggest gold miner, said the Cadence board had accepted its \$6.75-a-share offer, made last week, saying the deal was "in the best interests of Cadence and its shareholders.

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Small car looks likely to pass truck as best-seller in Canada

TOP CAR A car will likely beat a truck as Canada's best-selling vehicle in 2008 for the first time in 15 years as consumers turn sharply to smaller, more fuel-efficient autos. Honda's Civic compact is pulling away from Ford's F-Series pickup in sales at the halfway point of the year, according to figures from DesRosiers Automotive Consultants.

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Industry watchers say record fuel prices are driving consumers to compact and subcompact cars and away from gas-guzzling trucks, minivans and sport-utility vehicles.

"The theme in the market today clearly is, if it is small, it sells ... if not, it doesn't," analyst Dennis DesRosiers said.

Sales of the Civic, which has built a reputation for durability, fuel efficiency and overall value, shot up 24 per cent to 43,029 in the January-June period this year from the same six months in 2007.

Meanwhile, volumes for the venerable Ford F-Series pickups have skidded 6 per cent to 36,555 in the same periods.

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News in brief

RAIL CN Rail believes it will win U.S. regulatory approval to buy Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway Co., but if it doesn't it will find another way to "skin the cat" of rail congestion around Chicago, its chief executive said yesterday. REUTERS

PROFIT Bank of America Corp. reported quarterly profit yesterday that fell less than expected on record revenue, boosting shares of the largest U.S. retail bank and mortgage lender despite a surge in bad loans.

CREDIT American Express, a credit card issuer and processing network, reported a steeper-than-expected 38 per cent drop in quarterly profit as it set aside more money to cover credit losses and its shares fell sharply.

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Your Money

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K, brace yourselves: we're going to get a little deep here. We have finally finished A New Earth

Yeah, yeah, we know we are a little behind the eight ball on this one but let's agree, it's not a summer beach read and hey, we'll admit, we've been a little busy.

Now being Smart Cookies we find a way to relate everything we read back to money. And Eckhart's Tolle's book is no different.

Essentially Tolle explains that many people become consumed by obtaining things in attempts to fill or complete themselves. While we agree, we are the first to admit that we love "things" — new shoes, new clothes, new items for our home - you name it.

"How many of you have thought, 'Once I get that new house, then my life will be better'? Or 'If I get this dress for tonight, then I will stand out at the party'?"

So we were relieved to read that is OK to want things.

However, according to Tolle, it's impossible to lead a fulfilling life if we try to build our identity through "things". Tolle illustrates this point by commenting "we cannot really honour things if we use them as a mean to self-enhancement, that is to say, if we try to find ourselves through them."

The point is, to be appreciative of what you do have right now. And it's not about what you want but rather why you want it. For example, do you want the coach bag because it's good quality and lasts forever or do you want it because you think people will look at you and think



Planning your perfect day allows you to gain clarity on what exactly you want.

you've arrived?

How many of you have thought, "Once I get that new house, then my life will be better"? Or "If I get this dress for tonight, then I will stand out at the party"? Or "Once I get that new car I will find the right woman?"

We'll admit we used to throw around the same excuses but we've gotten a lot better ever since we created what we call "The Perfect Day". Planning your perfect day allows you to get clear on what exactly you want to spend your money on. On smartcookies.com we have a number of questions to help you describe your perfect day. Essentially you pull three activities from your perfect day that bring you joy (spending time with family and friends, cooking, working out) and then three things in you perfect day that you don't have now but are looking forward to in the future.

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The tricky investment world



This year, I exaside some savings and be more pro-active with investments. am a little confused with what types of investments would give the best returns? Are all investments taxed similarly?

ilarly? -karen With stock markets reeling from the financial crisis, some ana-\ lysts would advise to stay on the side-lines until it all clears. However, opportunities exist even in times of uncertainty. Investors that held energy and oil companies for the past three



Money may flow to technology, real estate or commodities.

years would argue the markets are good.

The laws of investment dictate: Money must seek a place that gives adequate returns. If money cannot be made in financial stocks then it will flow to technology, or it may move to real estate, or commodities, etc. Money must find a place and under your mattress is not an option.

How investment returns are taxed depends on the nature of the return. Generally, returns to investors make take the form of interest, dividends, capital

gains, return of capital etc. The after-tax return influences many investors as to the type of investments they choose.

The following tax rates (individual in highest combined 2007 federal and provincial marginal tax rate) should give you some indication:

- Employment income: 46.4 per cent
- Interest income (GICs, Bonds etc.): 46.4 per cent
 • Capital gains (sale of stocks, real estate): 23.2
- per cent Dividends (eligible public companies): 24.6% per
- Dividends (non-eligible, private companies): 31%
- per cent
 Return of Capital (income trust): Nil (added to adjusted cost)
- Investment in RRSPs: Nil (taxed like interest on withdrawal).

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Buying your first condo tips

Affordability and Location: "First determine what you can afford," advises chartered accountant Park Thompson, partner, Furlong & Co. LLP in Toronto, "Housing costs are now more than the traditional 25 to 30 per cent of household income, so ensure your budget can accommodate this and the monthly condo fee. Consider the building itself — will you use all those amenities (think pool, gymnasium, etc.) you're paying for, which and monthly fee?"

increase the purchase price Builder's Reputation: "If it's a new condo, you're buying a dream in the air," says chartered accountant John Warren, partner, Adams & Miles LLP in Toronto, "Do vour research — the developer's reputation and track record are critical because you're making a decision based on blueprints, possibly three or four years before you move in." Start with the Tarion Warranty Corporation website (tarion.com/home/),

which regulates Ontario's new home-building industry, and licenses all new home and condominium builders.

Monthly Fees: "Purchas-ing a condominium is different from buying a house - you are buying into a

financial structure governed by legislation and run by a board. This means you have less control over your monthly costs," says Thompson. "Know what you're buying and paying for. Owners are required to pay a monthly common-element fee, which covers the building's carrying costs and maintenance, and is set by the board. Different legal structures of condos give owners different obliga-

tions." Beware of Sales Ploys: "Regard the cents-persquare foot ratio with great skepticism," continues Warren. "Developers' budgets are typically low to attract sales, and you'll often see 36 to 38 cents-per-square foot quoted. The cheapest price is not necessarily the best price

if it's a shoddy building. While the developer is responsible for any first-year deficit, the costs creating this deficit are ongoing, and owners must pick them up. It is not uncommon for monthly fees to increase 25 to 40 per cent in the second year, with a smaller percentage in the third and fourth years."

Financial Stability: If you are buying an existing condo, review the financial statements to ensure the condominium is financially stable, without a deficit. "Ask questions," says Thompson. "Does a surplus exist for surprise expenses? Is there a current Reserve Fund Study, which is like a long-term budget indicating major repairs in the future? Is there a history of special assessments?"

6 Watch for Greed: Warren advises: "Beware of mercenary practices. Check the disclosure statement to see what else you must pay for once the corporation is up and running." NEWS CANADA

Sports



Saints acquire Shockey

The New York Giants traded tight end Jeremy Shock-ey, left, to New Orleans yesterday in exchange for the

Milbury signs on with Hockey Night

NHL Former NHL player, head coach and general manager Mike Milbury has



Hockey Night In Canada broadcast team for the 2008-09 season

Milbury

Milbury will be an

analyst and a regular on The Hot Stove — a secondintermission feature.

Milbury was an analyst for TSN last season.

Clark, Gilmour to receive honours

NHL The Toronto Maple Leafs will honour former captains Wendel Clark and Doug Gilmour in separate ceremonies during the upcoming season, the team announced yesterday.

Each player will have a banner with their number and likeness raised to the rafters at the Air Canada Centre. Clark will get his night on Nov. 22 as Toronto hosts the Chicago Blackhawks, while Gilmour is set to be feted when the Pittsburgh Penguins visit on Jan. 31. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports in brief

BASEBALL The Ottawa Rapidz lost 7-3 to the Atlantic City Surf for their fourth defeat in a row last night. Rory Shortell threw 7.1 innings, allowing three runs on seven hits, walking one and striking out four to lead the way for the Surf.

MLB New York Yankees catcher Jorge Posada was put back on the disabled list yesterday because of a sore right throwing shoulder, the team said, Posada is scheduled to have an MRI on his shoulder today, mlb.com reported.

NBA The New Jersey Nets acquired guard Keyon Dooling from the Orlando Magic in exchange for a trade exception and cash considerations in a sign-and-trade deal announced yesterday. Dooling averaged 8.1 points, 1.4 rebounds and 1.8 assists in 72 games last season. METRO NEWS SERVICES

LOTTERIES



Sports world defies logic

Eskimos late collapse, Loewen's career change among head shakers



Logic is being defied at an awfully alarming rate in professional sports these days. Consider:

• In the CFL, in the year 2008, in a multicultural country, there are no black general managers, head coaches or even referees.

• With 99 seconds re-

maining in Toronto Sunday, the Edmonton Eskimos allowed a previously mediocre Argonauts offence to march a mind-boggling 109.5 yards to score a game-winning touchdown in a series that featured no fewer than five catches for 79 yards by some kid called Tyler Scott, who hadn't played football since he left some place called Saginaw Valley State two years ago.

• In his first two starts, North Carolina graduate Darian Durant accomplished something few other U.S. quarterbacks could instant CFL success. Durant is precisely what the CFL's doctor ordered — invigorating new blood. He tore apart defences, passing for nearly 350 yards in each of Saskatchewan's back-to-back triumphs, and yet Roughriders coach Ken Miller will start inconsistent, injury-prone QB Marcus Crandell next game.

• Japanese baseball star Ichiro Suzuki of the Seattle Mariners still uses a trans-

a perfect start

Darian Durant is the first quarterback to win his first two CFL starts with Saskatchewan since Kent Austin in 1987, Marcus Crandell not Durant, will start against Toronto Sunday. when the Roughriders seek their first 5-0 start



North American reporters even though he speaks near-perfect English to his teammates.

• The pitching career of British Columbia's Adam Loewen, 24, came to an abrupt, painful and heart-breaking end Saturday be-cause of elbow problems, and yet the Baltimore Orioles actually feel they'll save the kid's MLB career by converting him into an outfielder, a transformation only one other majordinals' Rick Ankiel - has made successfully.

• The New York Mets' Carlos Delgado is batting .419 in July despite widespread suggestions earlier this season that the ex-Blue

Jays slugger was finished.

• A cat spat of sorts between a foul-mouthed Danca Patrick and a towelthrowing Milka Duno attracted far more attention this weekend than their socalled sport, auto racing, has all year. (Check it out at

www.metronews.ca.)

• Jason Taylor was traded to the Washington Redskins Sunday even though Miami bossman Bill Par-cells said recently the defensive lineman would remain a Dolphin "unless he retires. If we trade Taylor, I'll call you myself to tell you. But I won't have to because it isn't happening. That's how sure I am." ... Makes a guy not buy those weekend denials about Mats Sundin joining the Vancouver Canucks.

• The geniuses who run pro tennis and pro golf both decided to hold their marquee Canadian events in Toronto in the very same week. This week. Why?

Marty York has been a groundbreaking sports columnist and broadcaster in Canada for decades.



Frank Dancevic of Niagara Falls, Ont., returns a shot against Mario Ancic of Croatia last night in the first round of the Rogers Cup tennis tournament in Toronto, Dancevic won 6-3, 6-4.

Dancevic pulls off early upset

TENNIS The first upset at this year's Rogers Cup in Toronto couldn't have worked out better for

Canadian tennis fans. Frank Dancevic of Niagara Falls, Ont., defeated world No. 24 Mario Ancic of Croatia 6-3, 6-4 last night in opening-round action at the Rexall Centre at York University.

The 82nd-ranked Dancevic gets an even tougher test next as he faces world No. 3 and defending champion Novak Djokovic of Serbia in a second-round match tonight.

Dancevic's compatriot, Frederic Niemeyer of Deauville, Que., was not as successful. He fell 7-6 (4), 6-1 to No. 12-seeded Tommy Robredo of Spain.

Other action on a rainy opening day saw No. 9 Stanislas Wawrinka of Switzerland defeat Simone Bolelli of Italy, 6-4, 7-6 (4); 10th-seeded Richard Gasquet of France battle past

compatriot Michael Llodra, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3; No. 14 Fernando Gonzalez of Chile hammer Julien Benneteau, France, 6-1, 6-2; and No. 15 Mikhail Youzhny of Russia, oust Andreas Seppi of Italy,

one-set exhibition match last night saw Toronto's Daniel Nestor defeat Boris Becker 6-3, before Becker was officially inducted into the Rogers Cup Hall of Fame.

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Orioles dive-bomb Blue Jays

ORIOLES 8 BLUE JAYS 3

MLB Adam Jones and Ramon Hernandez both hit two- run home runs as the Orioles blitzed the Toronto Blue Jays 8-3 in the opener of a four-game set last night in Baltimore.

Melvin Mora went 2-for-4 and added the go-ahead two-run single for the Orioles, who have won three Radhames Liz got the win but allowed five hits and three runs, fanning while issuing six walks in $5^2/_3$ frames.

Alex Rios, Rod Barajas and Scott Rolen each knocked in a run for the Blue Jays, who have dropped three of four.

Jesse Litsch was charged with seven hits and six runs over 42/3 innings in the loss. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Mary Pierce has withdrawn from France's Olympic team due to injury.

She will be replaced by Amelie Mauresmo.

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'I've found my passion'

Cameron discovers rowing at 25, battles all the way to Olympic berth

MATTHEW WUEST Metro Canada

It took Tracy Cameron less than a week in a scull to decide rowing was going to take her to the Olympics.

It didn't matter that she was already 25 and had missed out on the key development years at the sport's junior and under-23 levels. It didn't matter that she had been completely removed from competitive sport for more than six years.

"The moment my hands touched the oars and I was on the water, it fit like a glove," she recalls. "I thought, 'This is it. I've found my passion. I've found the sport I love, and I'm going for it.' In my first week, I decided I was going to the Olympics."

Cameron wasn't expecting a life-changing experience when she wandered down to the Calgary Rowing Club eight years ago. The Maritimer from Shubenacadie, N.S., grew up surrounded by water and "missed it desperately" while studying her masters in science and sports medicine at the University of Calgary.

versity of Calgary.
"I saw all kinds of activity on the water, but when I saw the rowers, it just intrigued me," she says.

On little more than a whim, she enrolled in a learn-to-row program, and the rest is history. Cameron, now 33, is going to the Beijing Games and is a medal contender with partner Melanie Kok of St.



After enjoying a successful Canadian University basketball career, Tracy Cameron took a six-year break from competitive sports before trying rowing on a whim and starting on a path that will take her to next month's Olympics in Beijing.

Catharines, Ont., in lightweight double.

She didn't become an athlete overnight, however. Cameron played two seasons of university basketball with the Acadia Axewomen in Wolfville, N.S., in 1993 and 1994.

But she did have a sixyear pause from competitive sport before finding rowing. She says she "did a ton of snowboarding, mountain-bike racing and running races" during that time, but describes her involvement as "recreational."

"I'd been active and living an active lifestyle, so it was a pretty easy transfer," she says. "I just had to learn the skill of rowing, but the fitness base was already there. It really wasn't a difficult transition for me to become a

Cameron tried to qualify for the Athens Olympics in the heavyweight class (59 kilograms and up) but was unsuccessful. As a result, she dropped into the lightweight class after consulting with physicians and an exercise physiologist.

"I was on the bubble as a

heavyweight and I really didn't belong in that category," she says. "This is a more natural fit."

She lost 25 pounds in a year and won gold with Kok and two others in the lightweight quad at the 2005 world championships, the biggest achievement of her career so far.

"I always had the dream of going to the Olympics, since my first days on the water, but it became a reality when I went down to the lightweight class," Cameron says.

Cameron says.

She calls her crew a "dream team" with "lots of good energy happening," and admits she and Kok are "contenders, for sure" for a medal in Beijing. The proof of that is in bronze and gold medals they won at World Cup events in Europe in June.

Says Cameron, of her goal in Beijing: "We're hoping to be able to play our national anthem for you."

Subway seizes up as roads cleared

TRANSPORTATION One of Beijing's most important subway lines seized up yesterday when workers closed off entrances on the first working day of pre-Olympic traffic restrictions.

Passengers were being allowed off Line 2, which runs in a loop around central Beijing, but not on to it. At least one major transfer station, at

Jianguomen, was closed.
"There is a big crush of passengers. We've had to close the line for safety reasons," said a subway worker.

Migrant workers swept out of town

ECONOMICS The Bird's Nest national stadium is the pride of Beijing and one of the iconic structures of China's 2008 Olympic Games, but the men and women who built it may never see it coming to life.

As the opening ceremony of the Games approaches, the army of migrant workers who worked on the city's 31 Olympic projects are packing their bags and heading back to their rural homes as part of a city clean-up campaign that starts in earnest the week

Sports in brief

soccer Real Madrid have asked Brazil to release Robinho from their Olympic squad after pre-season medical tests revealed that the forward is suffering from a groin injury. The 24-year-old player admitted he was disappointed that he would miss the Games, but respects his team's decision.

ATHLETICS Doping-tainted Greek sprinter Katerina Thanou must decide by tomorrow whether she will compete in next month's Beijing Olympics. Thanou, who served a two-year ban for missing drugs tests, has not yet announced her decision.

REUTERS

Facts NAME: Tracy Cameron

AGE: 33
SPORT: Rowing
CATEGORY: Lightweight double
CREWMATE: Melanie Kok of
St. Catharines, Ont.
HOMETOWN: Shubenacadie,
N.S.
CURRENT RESIDENCE:
Calgary
CAREER HIGHLIGHT: Gold in lightweight quad at 2005
world championships.
MEDAL HAUL: Gold and bronze medals at World Cup events in June.

Tomorrow's lineup

TEAM EFFORT For the first time, Canada will be sending a full triathlon team of six people to compete at the Games. Pick up tomorrow's Metro for more.

days remain until the official start of the 2008 Summer Olympic Games in Beijing.



Tracy Cameron, right, qualified for this year's Summer Games by finishing seventh in lightweight doubles at last year's world championships in Austria along with then-crewmate Lindsay Jennerich.

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If you're trying to quit smoking, try real licorice roots (not licorice candy) and cinnamon sticks. They can substitute for the habitual need to have a cigarette between your lips. ALIVE MAGAZINE

Health



Raw Meal Deal

Raw foods provide superior nutrition as well as the enzymes necessary for their own digestion. The cooking process destroys these naturally occurring enzymes, forcing the pancreas to produce more internal digestive enzyme Try to eat at least one completely raw meal each day, or eat a raw salad with a cooked meal twice a day. ALIVE MAGAZINE

Antioxidants every day keep the doctor away

We hear a lot about darkpigment fruits like blueberries being good for their antioxidant power. But what exactly does that mean?

"It's like a metaphor," says Wilhelmina Kalt, a food chemist with Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, "that as we age, we're rusting away from the oxidative reactions in our bodies, degenerative aspects of aging and disease. The idea is these coloured fruits and vegetables can help us fight this biological rusting and presumably could help reduce the risk of disease.

What researchers are finding is that a diet rich in blueberries - no one knows for sure how much,



Blueberries boasts more antioxidants than any other

but a cup or more a day is recommended — may offset some of the effects of aging. (Raspberries, black-berries and other berries are also rich in antioxidants, but studies show blueberries have more.) Torstar News Service

Drugs on campus

Fraternity bust sparks safety, prevention concerns

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Fraternity busted \$126,000 in drugs — it sounds like a bad Hollywood stereotype, but that's just what happened when Toronto police seized one kilogram of keta-mine (used as a date-rape drug) cocaine and mushrooms at the Delta Kappa Epsilon Alpha Phi house near the University of Toronto on June 27.

What police found was enough ketamine to spike 6,200 drinks. The drug is also used as a club drug, and accounts for about five per cent. of drug use among young clubgoers, according to Ottawa's Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse.



Police recently seized \$126,000 of drugs, including ketamine (the "date-rape" drug), from a Toronto fraternity house. Police say the amount of ketamine found was enough to spike 6.200 drinks.

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Still...it is that one visit that can be most appealing to many people. Busy people, like your-selves, who have work and family responsibilities, but who know the importance and value

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restored with a healthy crown and back outside enjoying summer in just one visit. Because enjoying summer with healthy teeth is a healthy habit...and healthy habits lead to healthy lives.

Reports across Canada

• Ottawa: Drug unit detective Rick Carey said they haven't seen much date-rape drug use, but it's difficult to find evidence that druggings occurred because they pass through the body very quick-

• Halifax: Constable for media relations Jeff Carr said date-rape drug use is rare, but that it's difficult to prove druggings occurred. "We've

Graduate Wasseem Malleye and current student Yong Park were charged with several drug-related offences, including possessing drugs for the purpose of trafficking. Still, the news had some fe-

male U of T students wondering how safe their university really is. "Who knows if we go to an on-campus event or pub, you obviously have people from fraternities coming, and that would make me feel unsafe. God knows who would do what," said psychology student Nurin Jiwa.

Communications student Terri-Ann Persad said the school has never educated her about the dangers of date-rape drugs, nor did it inform her of never had a case where we've proved they were given the drug. Apparently the drug leaves the system very quickly," he said.

• Edmonton: Police media relations say date-rape drugs are uncommon. "We've never even seen the word 'rohypnol' in a press release," they said, referring to another popular date-rape drug.

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the bust. "The school should make that more public. They're responsible for the well-being of their students,"

Prevention tips, education and crisis response officers are readily available through the school's health and counselling services, said school officials.

Although most DKE members are enrolled at U of T, spokesperson Rob Steiner said the administration can't control fraternities because they aren't recognized by the school. "Our jurisdiction only extends to stuff at the university or stuff that's academic. I don't think we have anything to do with this at all." Steiner said, adding that student

Bad Signs

Date-rape drug effects:

Drunken or dizzy feelings

Stick Exchange

- Difficulty thinking
- Out-of-body experiences • Distorted perception of time and body
- · Can't remember who or where you are
- Numbness in the body
- Blurred vision
- Amnesia (applies to GHB) SOURCE: CENTRE FOR ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH

codes of conduct don't apply to off-campus fraternities.

Date-rape drugs are a community safety concern, but there's no evidence of a larger drug ring operating on campus, said Toronto police Detective Sergeant Rob Johnson, who added that the bust is an "isolated" incident, perhaps the first campus-related bust in Canada. He said there's recently been a small spike in druggings in Toronto's Enter-tainment District, but they can be avoided by sticking with friends, watching your drinks and knowing where they came from.

Malleye and Park say they didn't intend to use or sell the ketamine as a date-rape drug, which is also used recreationally, Johnson said. However, his partner, detective sergeant Edigio Roseto, believes the quantities found tell a different story. "That much ketamine is not for personal use that is an amount sufficient for trafficking," he said, adding that recreational users can unintentionally be overwhelmed by the side effects of the drugs, and end up victimized while not fully conscious.

Still, the negative publicity could have far-reaching effects on U of T's Greek community. One fraternity member, who declined to give his name or association, said this bust gives all fraternities a bad reputation and overshadows the leukemia charity fundraising runs and spaghetti dinners his group organizes. "I don't think people have a good understanding about what fraternities are about," he said. "People don't even want to learn about it because of the stereotypes. They think it's just a bunch of guys who like to party.

Mad Men has dominated the annual awards ceremony organized by the U.S. Television Critics Association. The drama was named program of the year and outstanding new show, and also won the prize for outstanding drama. BBC NEWS ONLINE

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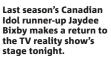
in the studio

inem is working on his first new material since 2004's Encore album. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Bixby takes country road

Former Idol contestant releases debut album Cowboys And Cadillacs

SANDY CAETANO for Metro Canada



The Drumheller, Alta., country singer says he couldn't be more excited to come back to the place that kickstarted his music career.

That is one of the things that I was absolutely stoked about was to come back to do a song and perform," Bixby says. "It's kind of cool because now I have my new band with me and they're a great group of guys.

Fronting his new band, Bixby will perform new single Old Fashioned Girl, off debut album Cowboys And Cadillacs, which was released last week.

More on Jaydee

• For more details on Jaydee Bixby visit jaydeebixby.com.

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Jaydee Bixby

Bixby says the reception he has received from fans all over Canada has been unbelievable.

'You go into it being very optimistic thinking 'OK my CD is going out in stores, that's pretty cool," says Bixby. "It's just amazing, but I didn't realize how much the Internet helps with sales and stuff because of things like iTunes."

From the moment his Canadian Idol experience ended Bixby has been keeping busy from landing a contract with HRM Records to writing songs and assisting with the production of his new album.

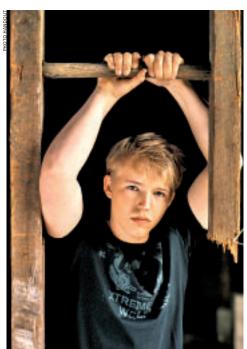
"The whole process has been great since the beginning, where you're writing songs right through to where you're holding the package, it's just a phenomenal experience to go through," he says.

To see the tracks laid

out and the whole process of making the album was something Bixby quite enioved and he even collected two co-writes on the album for tracks Love Is and Somewhere Tonight.

To the remaining Canadian Idol competitors, Bixby offers these words of advice: "If I focused on all the bad stuff the judges had said about me I would have been a wreck," says Bixby.

"If you focus on that, that's where people get messed up ... you just got to keep keeping on and do what you do, and focus on



Jaydee Bixby says fans' reaction to his new CD has been great.

courts

Winehouse hubby sentenced

PEOPLE The husband of British soul singer Amy Winehouse was ordered to serve four and a half more months in prison yesterday after he pleaded guilty to attacking a pub landlord in 2006 and then trying to cover it up, Reuters reports.

Winehouse, 24, and Fielder-Civil, 26, married in May last year.

Fielder-Civil, a one-time music video spent much of his first year of marriage behind bars, having been remanded in custody ahead

of a planned trifor about nine months.



rock music

Cooper blasts TV talent shows

PEOPLE Alice Cooper has blasted TV talent shows American Idol and The X Factor because

they Cooper look



don't for new rock talent, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The rocker criticized the shows for seeking to discover artists he says are disposable. "They aren't looking for rock bands, they're looking for people who are going to end up with shows in Vegas," he says.

Batman director takes Hollywood by storm

Christopher Nolan is now the toast of Hollywood, thanks to the recordbreaking \$155 million US opening of The Dark Knight.

But less than 10 years ago, the Batman director was barely a blip at the box office: His feature debut, a small indie called Following, earned a grand total of \$40,000 US.

The fractured thriller, about a writer who inexplicably follows strangers, was not the kind of film that gets a director commercial gigs. Like Nolan's 2000 follow-up Memento, it showed an experimentminded director intent on playing with timelines and disorientng the viewer.

But since then he's managed not only to land on the studio map but rede-

Nolan (together with his brother and frequent writing partner Jonathan) graduated to midrange studio projects like the Alaskan



murder mystery Insomnia, which earned nearly \$70 million, and Disney's The Prestige, which landed \$53 million. Then he resurrected the Batman franchise with 2005's Batman Begins. which earned \$205 million. The Dark Knight will pass that total by the middle of the week.

What's perhaps most remarkable in the arc of the one-time English lit student is that he has managed to migrate to tentpoles without compromising much of the vision of his early movies.

In fact, judging by the word-of-mouth, The Dark Knight succeeded because of, not despite, his authorship. "He's not a product of Hollywod, and I think that makes him a better studio

"He's not a product of Hollywood, and I think that makes him a better studio director."

producer Andrew Kosove

director," says Andrew Kosove of Alcon Entertain-Nolan's Insomnia.

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Broderick Johnson, adds that beyond the creative vision are a set of skills found only in a handful of directors. "He has the whole movie, every single scene, in his head before he stars shooting. And then coupled with that he's a really good communicator so he can get that vision across to

everyone on set."

The producers say that calibrated every Nolan scene in Insomnia so precisely that they could find only one deleted scene to include on the DVD.

While Nolan's trajectory may be unlikely, those who've collaborated with him said they're not surprised that he had made such a large leap in so short a time.

Studio veteran Bob Berney, who helped on distribution efforts for Memento, says that, unlike some indie directors who simply end up directing bigger movies by default when the offers start coming in, Nolan was aiming for tentpoles all along. "He exuded self-assurance and confidence that he'd be where he is today," Berney says. "He wanted to be doing movies like Batman." REUTERS

movie peer

Nolan may be Paul Greengrass, who moved fleetly from edgy political fare like Bloody Sunday to the mega-earning Jason

• The closest analogue to Bourne franchise.

theatres

Dark Knight tix selling on EBay

MOVIES It seems that 4,366 theaters weren't quite enough, Reuters reports.

As hype for new box office champ The Dark Knight reached a fever pitch over the weekend, moviegoers were surfing eBay and Craigslist for tickets, sometimes paying five times face value for them. The hottest items were

tickets to Imax showings. Director Christopher Nolan shot many of the action scenes with an Imax camera. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Roland Kickinger, left, has been named as Arnold Schwarzenegger's successor in the new Terminator movie. He will play cyborg T-800 in Terminator Salvation, the role made famous by Schwarzenegger in the original movies. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Curtains for Ebert and Roeper show

Influential film Roger Ebert and Richard Roeper are departing the movie-review show that bears their names, the two announced separately, leaving the program's future unclear.

Ebert, 66, who has been sidelined as co-host of At The Movies with Ebert & Roeper since 2006 due to health problems, said in a statement that he was ending his relationship with the show. Ebert, arguably Ameri-

ca's best-known film critic, had remained active behind the scenes despite losing his voice to cancer.

His announcement came a day after Roeper, 48, said his last appearance on the show would be an episode airing Aug. 17.

The show's production company, Disney-ABC Domestic Television, had no immediate comment on the future of the long-run-

"I will be free to share the details of that (new) program in the near future."

Richard Roeper

launched 33 years ago with late film critic Gene Siskel.

Ebert said he and Siskel's widow, Marlene Iglitzen, will retain the show's trademarked catch-phrase "two thumbs up" for some future use

Roeper joined the show eight years ago, after Siskel died after a surgery to remove a brain tumor.

Roeper said he intends "proceed elsewhere" and co-host another film review show that "honours the standards established by Gene Siskel and Roger Ebert.

"I will be free to share the details on that (new) program in the near future," he said. REUTERS

DVD pick

21

Director: Robert Luketic Stars: Jim Sturgess, Kevin Spacey, Kate Bosworth



N ONE OF THE DVD extras for 21 — a film "inspired by" the real-life story of six MIT students who won millions at Las Vegas blackjack tables — it takes a mere five minutes to detail the history of the game, the essence of basic strategy and even the students' simplistic method of counting cards, the legal but despised-by-casinos technique that gave them the edge necessary to beat the house.

It's too bad the makers of 21 didn't see fit to squeeze these five minutes of context into the film itself. In any movie involving a heist or scam or otherwise sticking it to the man, the how-to always offers the biggest thrills. Director Robert Luketic and writers Peter Steinfeld

and Allan Loeb (from the superior bestselling book Bringing Down the House by Ben Mezrich) show us bits and pieces of the card-counting method, but never put it all together.

If they had, it could

There, at last, the movie shows some signs of life, though it never achieves the excitement it aspires to.

Ben's transformation

from math geek to high roller doesn't go far enough - what, no drugs, no hookers? This is Vegas, right? Security thug Cole Williams (Laurence Fishburne), who is onto the card counting scheme but is portrayed barely ignite a script that has all the dimension of a pair of deuces.

That the nastiness has been toned down for a PG-13 rating, which helped 21 earn \$81

million at the domestic box office, is fine. What isn't forgivable is the one thing this movie about a cabal of math geniuses lacks: brains.

Extras on the two-disc set and Blu-ray also include a serviceable making-of, nicely being gambling fiends; and a digital copy of the puter and portable devices. Torstar News Service



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Entertainment in brief

DANCING Socialite Kim Kardashian has been tapped as the latest



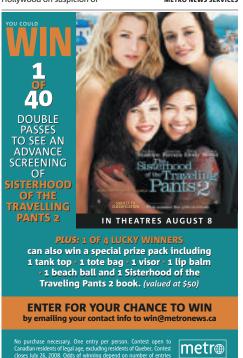
Kardashian celebrity to join the cast of the hit U.S. TV show Dancing With The Stars. imdb.com reports.

DUI Actor Scott Michael Foster has been arrested in Hollywood on suspicion of

driving under the influence, imdb.com reports. The 23-year old star of U.S. comedy drama Greek was charged with the offence following his run-in with cops early yesterday morning.

POLL The Italian Job has beaten The Blues Brothers and The Bourne Identity to land the title of favourite movie car chase, imdb.com reports.

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have helped slim down as a dinosaur in an increasingly high-tech contrasting the two locations, "hot" Vegas and "cool," wintry Boston; a the tedious backstory in Boston involving meek world, offers a glimmer math nerd Ben Campbell of menace. Kevin Spacey, as the two-faced MIT prof commentary track where (a listless Jim Sturgess), which occupies the first who runs the blackjack the filmmakers admit to 27 minutes of the movie, ring (he's also a before we get to the good producer), burns at his stuff — or, at least, better stuff — in Vegas. usual intensity but can film for viewing on com-

Jim Sturgess plays a meek math nerd from Boston who heads to Vegas for some action in 21

When the towel hits the floor...



morning, would like to share thoughts some about how to have a peaceful and happy partnership. With luck, it will take my mind off the fight I'm having with my spouse.

Over the years, I've learned one or two things about how to make a relationship go smoothly. After three decades of dating and/or marriage one or two things isn't bad. What I've learned, and you might want to write this down, is this: Relationships are tricky.

The problem in my

"Frustration is going to come out over something that a) is trivial and b) has nothing to do with what you're really upset about."

house this morning was that issue that raises its ugly head in every long-term relationship. One of us left a towel on the bathroom floor. It is absolutely true that,

whatever unhappy thing your partner has said recently about your sister or however much you've stewed about the time he/she spends playing golf, your frustration is going to come out over something that a) is trivial and b) has nothing to do with what you're really upset about. In short, in relation-

ships, the sh-t hits the fan when the towel hits the floor.

Let's look at how two people faced with this relationship annovance might handle the situation. First, the person who is confident in themselves and their place in the partner-ship. This person sees the towel on the floor, knows it has nothing to do with other relationship issues and says something like. "Honey, you've left a towel on the bathroom floor."

Notice there are key words this relationship pro does not use. Words like "again," "never" "always" and "you stupid twit." The words "never" and "al-ways," have likely caused more relationship trouble even, "Everyone gains weight at your age,' or, "You said it was healthy to acknowledge our attraction to other people."

Next, we have the person we'll refer to as "the rest of us." This person uses the most common strategy for dealing with relationship discord. This may be called "taking it all per-

sonally."
TRoU: I cannot believe you did this to me again. You never, never think of me and always, always leave your towel on the floor. I am so leaving you for someone who showers at the gvm.

When it comes to relationships, it's best to remember two things. First, instead of getting a marriage license, we should all be issued a learners per-

And, the best things in life are free. But they're never easy.

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Court tosses CBS' Super Bowl fine

TELEVISION The U.S. government's campaign against television indecency was dealt a blow Monday when a court overturned a \$550,000 US fine against CBS Corp television stations for airing a glimpse of pop singer Ianet Iackson's breast during the 2004 Super Bowl broadcast.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit said the Federal Communications Commission had "arbitrarily and capriciously departed from its prior policy" that exempted fleeting broadcast material from actionable indecency violations.

Jackson's right breast was exposed to almost 90 million TV viewers for a fraction of a second during the live 2004 Super Bowl football halftime show in what fellow pop singer Justin Timberlake later called a "wardrobe malfunction." Timberlake ripped off part of Jackson's bustier exposing Jackson's breast during the show.

REUTERS

Showtime developing L Word spinoff series

Showtime is working on a spinoff to its lesbian drama The L Word, which will kick off its sixth and final season early next

Ilene Chaiken, the creator of the edgy series, is in the early stages of developing the spinoff, which will star one of the L Word actresses, said Robert Greenblatt. Showtime's president of entertainment.

The identity of the chosen actress has not yet been revealed to the cast, Greenblatt said during the Television Critics Assn. press tour at the Beverly Hilton

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Ilene Chaiken, creator of The L Word, is shown at the 19th Annual GLAAD Media Awards in May. Chaiken is working on a spinoff series, which will star one of the L Word actresses.

Pressed for more details. he said only: "We're still forming it. I'm sure I have a million e-mails already from loval viewers about

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it, but we're still in the process of figuring it out." The L Word, meanwhile,

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will end its run with an open-ended story line that

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"I'm sure I have a million e-mails already from loyal viewers about (the spinoff), but we're still" in the process of figuring it out.

Robert Greenblatt

continue online Should the spinoff get a series pickup, the story line will continue in the as-yetuntitled project, Greenblatt said.

Separately, the pay-cable network has ordered two additional 13-episode seasons of Weeds - its fifth and sixth - following on the heels of the comedy serecord-breaking fourth-season debut last month. It has also ordered a seventh season of Penn & Teller: Bull-! making it the network's longest-running series. REUTERS

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SNL in overdrive for fall election

TELEVISION The upcoming U.S. presidential election will mean extended duty for NBC's Saturday Night Live. The show's 34th season will kick off on Sept. 13, allowing it to have seven live outings before Election Day on Nov. 4. That, in turn, will result in a season order of 22 episodes, two more than usual.

In addition, NBC will schedule three half-hour episodes of Saturday Night Live Weekend Update Thursday at 9:30 p.m. on Oct. 9, 16 and 23.

Purefoy in talks for Philanthropist

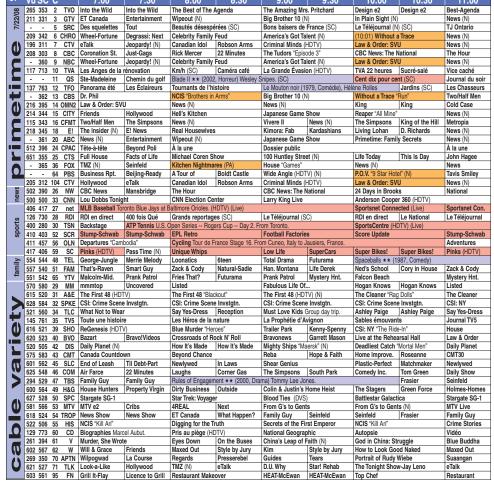
TELEVISION NBC is closing in on its Philanthropist, with British actor James Purefoy in negotiations to play the lead in the midseason drama series. Philanthropist centres on a renegade billionaire who uses his wealth. connections and power to help people in need no matter the risks or costs. NBC had courted Purefov for some time, including flying the Rome star from the U.K. to Los Angeles for REUTERS a meeting.

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Drugs are bad. It doesn't matter if your dad smoked weed as a vouth: there wasn't the research available then that there is now. Brock (Christopher Rich) lies to Kyra (Scarlett Pomers) by claiming he's never smoked marijuana in "Calling the Pot Brock." Barbra Jean (Melissa Peterman) is stunned to learn that he actually did. The situation prompts Cheyenne (JoAnna Garcia) to admit part of her past to an unsuspectin Van (Steve Howey). 9 PM on 43 CMT



MythBusters

It's understandable to be nervous about truck tires exploding when vou're driving a much smaller vehicle on the highway that is at precisely truck-tire height. In this episode, Adam and Jamie rig a big rig to spin its wheels in a stationary position. They blow the tires to see if a motorcyclist (the most vulnerable of drivers on the road) can be killed by tire shrapnel. 5 PM on 42 DIS

14 entertainment

Going country Jessica Simpson's first country concert was met with mixed reactions. Audiences booed and clapped as the singer, 28, opened for Sara Evans on Saturday at the Country Thunder USA festival in Randall, Wisc. usmagazine.com

Celebrity Buzz

Trying for baby 'fu

PARENTS TO BE? Rebecca Romijn and Jerry O'Connell, who celebrated their first wedding anniversary July 14, are not expecting a baby yet!

"We're trying to get pregnant," the actor told People.com Saturday. where he stepped out for Much Love Animal Rescue's 2nd annual Bow Wow Wow event in Los Angeles.

'It would be amazing if it happened. I hope it

O'Connell, who says trying to get pregnant is "a lot of fun," brought along the couple's dogs Taco and Better who he called "our babies."

"It's just such a great feeling you get when you rescue an animal," he

said. "They're eternally grateful and they really trust you and they're just the best."

Besides, he said, "Pets are training for kids. Though the couple

spent their first wedding anniversary apart — she was in New York and he was in L.A. — O'Connell says their time apart may actually help their relationship.

"Being apart, you want to make the most of your time together," he says. "And we really have a lot of fun together.'

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Thurman denies secret wedding

PEOPLE Actress Uma Thurman has denied reports she has wed her boyfriend Arpad Busson in a secret ceremony, after reports surfaced the couple's engagement party was a guise for their nuptials, imdb.com reports. According to the New York Post, Thurman — who sparked pregnancy rumours when she was snapped with a protruding stomach in Europe last week — is allegedly enjoying her honeymoon on

the trip with Busson. METRO NEWS SERVICES Stone, Nelly an item?

COUPLINGS Joss Stone is reportedly dating Nelly, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The soul singer has been on several secret dates with the 33-year-old rap star — who is 12 years her senior — and is said to be smitten with him. "Joss and Nelly have been out on a few dates," a source said.

"It's early days but Joss is really happy. It's great that she has met someone as successful as she is and who understands the pressures of being a performer."

Stone, 21, is also reducing her hectic work schedule



Brosnan voted top gay icon

OVER 50 Pierce Brosnan has defeated Bruce Willis and Richard Gere to land the title of most popular gay icon over 50, imdb.com reports. The former James Bond took 33 per cent of the vote, compared with Willis and Gere, who took 25 and 14 per cent respectively, while Harrison Ford and Mel Gibson scooped fourth and fifth places. The poll was compiled by dating agency gay-parship.co.uk.

Summer internship

PEOPLE The 15-year-old

for Love's daughter

daughter of Courtney Love and Kurt Cobain is the new summer aide at Rolling Stone magazine. Insiders say "she doesn't get coffee for

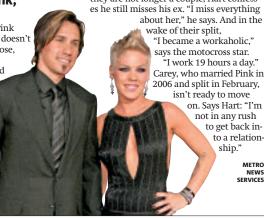


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try to stay connected as much as possible," Hart said. "It's a tough situation to be in but I

> death. And though



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Carey always fashionably late

TIMEKEEPING Mariah Carey claims she can't help running late, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The singer, who has previously kept fans waiting at concerts and record signings, tries to be

punctual but can never quite manage it. "I always run at least half an hour late," she said.

"I am such a bad timekeeper. I don't know how I always manage to do it but I do. I try my best but it doesn't bother me that I can't keep time." While Carey, 38, isn't worried by her lax timekeeping, she admits her 27-year-old husband Nick Can-

 – who she married in April — is finding it hard to deal

they are not longer a couple, Hart confess-



Hudgens not jealous of Zac's fans **COUPLES** Vanessa Hudgens is adamant she is not jealous of her boyfriend Zac Efron's

legions of adoring female fans, imdb.com reports. The High School Musical co-stars have been dating for nearly a year. She says, "I don't get jealous when Zac gets loads of attention. I do, too. And I don't mind if girls scream at him — I

scream along too. METRO NEWS

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Parental advice

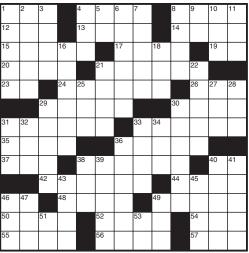
Funny man Will Ferrell has jokingly advised actress Nicole Kidman to talk to her newborn daughter, Sunday Rose, "at least" once a week. "If you've got time, do it two or three times a week," he added. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK



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Take Five

AVATAR VENUS



Crossword down

- 1 Sluggish
- 2 Tub in the fridge
- 3 One at a time
- 4 Tiers
- 5 Big fuss
- 6 Closet door hanging
- 7 Lap dogs
- 8 More amusing
- 9 Balloon filler
- 10 Rapper Tone -
- 11 Summer in France
- 17 Musical note 19 Sundial numeral
- 22 Murky
- 24 Extra hrs.
- 25 Karachi language
- 26 QB Williams
- 27 Jane Austen heroine
- 28 Lake bird

42 Great dog?

51 Not guzzle

52 Faint glow

55 Comply

56 Marries

44 Survey course

47 Highway gear

53 Eurasian range

57 Ferrer or Tillis

54 — — loss for words

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previous day's answer

29 In the doldrums

30 About half of us

33 "Ulalume" poet

36 Informal assent

40 Husband's mom

37 Bayou dweller

38 Flotsam and -

41 Opry's st. 43 News agcy.

45 Ceremony

47 — Paulo

44 Nile goddess

46 Whitish gem

49 Crude metal

50 Big bankroll

48 Worn-down pencil

32 Progress

(hyph.)

Crossword across

- 1 Part of UCLA
- 4 Turnpike exit
- 8 Cartoon chipmunk 12 Muhammad -
- 13 "Garfield" pooch
- 14 Mob scene
- 15 Buddhist practice
- 16 Employees
- 18 Hindu mystics
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- 23 At high volume
- 27 England's Isle of 29 Term of respect
- 30 Paris subway
- 31 Yr. fraction
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- 34 Fond Lac, Wis.
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- 38 Wine purchase
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This day in history

JULY 22, 1933: Wiley Post becomes first person to fly solo around the world travelling 15,596 miles in 7 days, 18 hours and 45 minutes. IULY 22. 1937: The United States Senate votes down President Franklin D. Roosevelt's proposal to add more justices to the Supreme Court of the United States

JULY 22, 1942: Holocaust: The systematic deportation of Jews from the Warsaw Ghetto begins.

JULY 22, 1999: The first version of MSN Messenger was released by Microsoft.

Horoscopes

ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20 Your finances will need fine

tuning. A romance with a peer is possible. Expect to hear a declaration that changes things.

TAURUS

ΔPRII 21-ΜΔΥ 21 An organizer can make you

efficient. A fun-loving associate has ulterior motives. Time's running out for a boring boss

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

A friend won't remember what you did. Get on track by pushing into new areas. Battle against weariness by learning something new.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22

Earn gratitude by having a serious chat. A deal will astound you. Bad plumbing initiates a house-cleaning.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23

An emotional bond will develop with an absent person. You'll be happy about several things. A daydreamer will support you.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

An odd contact is lethargic. A lonely buddy will create a plan. A boss will go further than you anticipated.

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LIBRA SEPT 23-OCT 23

Your appearance isn't the solution to problems. Spend time with an ecstatic person. You must ask an authority figure to be fair.

SCORPIO

OCT 24- NOV 22

(M,) Your attitude changes when a man starts shouting. Try out a ridiculous theory. You'll have to work with a clown to get a job done.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23- DEC 21

Taking time off from work is a good thing. Think about details before making a change. Lend a hand before being asked.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20

A lover weeps over a disappointment. A new start may be sought. You'll trust someone you've recently met

AQUARIUS



Spend time with a miserable person. Avoid battles when there's nothing left to lose. Reduce panic, or fatigue will

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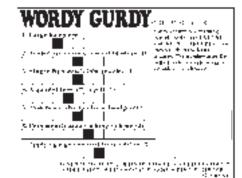
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the scoop on Hollywood's latest gossip.

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Sudoku INSTRUCTIONS:

The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

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21-25..... Not bad

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Ottawa weather

Afternoon

40% Thunderstorms. 23

Tonight





Wednesday **Thursday**



Friday



Temperature Normals High: 27.2° Low: 15.3°

Records High: 36.1°/1955 Low: 8.6°/1992

Sunrise: 5:36 a.m. Sunset: 8:41 p.m. Moonset: 10:13 a.m. Moonrise: 10:35 p.m









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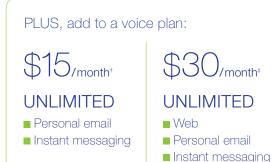


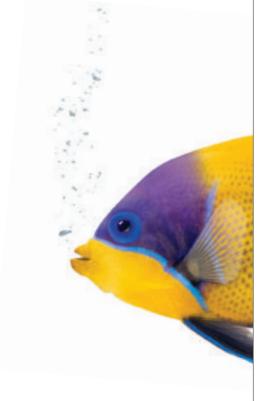
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